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1. CONVERSATION CITED REFTEL IS TO OUR KNOWLEDGE FIRST EXPLICIT STATEMENT TO FOREIGN AUDIENCE THAT PRC ASSISTANCE WOULD BE LIMITED TO CASE WHERE SOUTH WAS AGGRESSOR. PRC PUBLIC STATEMENTS ON THIS ISSUE HAVE BEEN VAGUE, BUT SEEM TO CARRY IMPLICATION THAT ANY WAR ON KOREAN PENINSULA WOULD NECESSARILY BE STARTED BY ROK.

2. TAIPEI NEWSPAPERS, HOWEVER, ATTRIBUTED SIMILAR POLICY STATEMENT TO THEN FOREIGN MINISTER CHIAO KUAN-JUA IN A SPEECH PURPORTEDLY MADE MAY 20, 1975. (EMBASSY SEOUL NOTED IN ITS 6788 OF 1975 THAT SAME REPORTS APPEARED IN SEOUL PRESS AUGUST 29 AND SEPTEMBER 2 OF THAT YEAR). ACCORDING TO VERSION AVAILABLE HERE OF CHIAO'S ALLEGED SPEECH (HONG KONG'S "CHINA NEWS ANALYSIS" NO. 1036, 1976) HE SAID "WE WOULD SEND TROOPS IF THE IMPERIALISTS WERE TO INVADE KOREA
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AND APPROACH THE YALU RIVER. OTHERWISE WE WOULD OFFER MORAL AND MATERIAL AID...."

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